



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Applicant	: Glanzer et al.	
Appln. No.	: 10/826,576	Confirmation No: 1749
Filed	: April 16, 2004	Group Art Unit: 2121
Title	: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR IMPLEMENTING SAFETY INSTRUMENTED SYSTEMS IN A FIELD BUS ARCHITECTURE	Examiner: Patel, Ramesh B.

**PETITION TO CORRECT PRIORITY CLAIM
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.78(a)(1-3) and 1.17(t)**

MAIL STOP PETITIONS
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

This application, U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/826,576 ("The '576 Application"), is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/453,596 ("The '596 Application"), which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/160,094 ("The '094 Application," now U.S. Pat. 6,594,530), which is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/916,178 ("The '178 Application," now U.S. Pat. 6,424,872).

Under 37 C.F.R. §1.78(a)(1-3), a petition to correct the priority claim of an application may be accepted during the pendency of the later-filed application if accompanied by: (1) the reference to priority; (2) the surcharge set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(t) (\$1,370.00); and (3) a statement that the entire delay between the date the claim was due under 37 C.F.R. §1.78 (a)(5)(ii) and the date the claim was filed was unintentional. In accordance with the first requirement described above, an Amendment correcting the claim of priority to the instant patent application accompanies this Petition. In accordance with the third requirement, the delay in claiming priority under 37 CFR §1.78 (a)(5)(ii) was entirely unintentional. Accordingly, the Assignee respectfully requests this petition be accepted under 37 C.F.R. §1.78.

This Petition is being submitted concurrently with a Response to the Office action of December 28, 2004, a Terminal Disclaimer, and petition for one-month extension of time. Accordingly, please charge Deposit Account No. 04-1415 in the amount of \$1,620.00, (\$120.00 for one-month extension of time fee, \$1,370.00 for Petition to Accept

Unintentionally Delayed Claim fee and \$130.00 for Terminal Disclaimer fee). The Applicant believes no further fees or petitions are required. However, if any such petitions or fees are necessary, please consider this a request therefor and authorization to charge Deposit Account No. 04-1415 accordingly.

If the Examiner should have any questions, please contact the undersigned attorney.

Dated: 28 April 2005

Respectfully submitted,



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